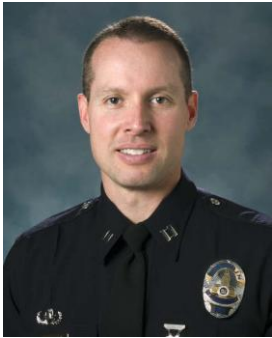


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North Hollywood Captain's Corner:



As fall is now upon us, it's a good time to remind everyone about the potential safety issues associated with Halloween. There are always safety concerns each year as children go out trick-or-treating, and engage in other Halloween-related activities. Among the more serious

potential hazards are traffic accidents involving trick-or-treating youngsters. Because of this, I am asking parents of young people to ensure that they accompany their children during any Halloween

activities. The involvement of parents is the key to a safe and happy Halloween. Our goal here at North Hollywood Area is to make this year's Halloween as safe as possible, and we need your help to do that.

In regards to crime, a continued challenge for North Hollywood Area remains burglary/theft from motor vehicles (BTFMVs). Community involvement is extremely important to prevent or apprehend people involved in this criminal activity. As always, Neighborhood Watches, Business Watches, and Apartment Watches are all helpful in combating this problem. You can avoid becoming a victim by remembering to remove valuables (especially electronics and laptop computers) from plain view

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**NORTH HOLLYWOOD DETECTIVES
INVESTIGATE ARSON RELATED HOMICIDE**

**VALLEY VILLAGE: HOMICIDE VICTIM
FOUND WHEN FIRE IS EXTINGUISHED**

On July 24, 2010, at approximately 7:00 PM, Los Angeles Fire Department personnel responded to a residential fire in the 11500 Block of Riverside Drive in Valley Village. The Fire Department extinguished the blaze and discovered the body of 34-year old Chere Osmanhodzic, who lived at the residence.

This case is being handled as a homicide by the North Hollywood Homicide Detectives. Anyone with information is asked to contact the LAPD, North Hollywood Station at (818) 623-4016 or call Homicide Detectives at (818) 623-4705.

The suspect has been identified as Omar Armando Loera, 34-year-old, male Hispanic with black hair and brown eyes. Loera stands about 5 feet 9 inches tall and weighs 170 pounds. He has Aztec women tattoos on both shoulders. He is a parolee at large.



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inside of parked vehicles. We are confident that with these efforts, and ongoing involvement by community members, we will continue to be successful at reducing these property crimes.

If you'd like to start a Neighborhood, Apartment or Business Watch program, or other community group in your neighborhood, please contact the North Hollywood Area Senior Lead Office, at (818) 755-7679.

Community Announcements

On Saturday, October 23, our open house will take place at North Hollywood Area Community Police Station. It will again feature our very own haunted maze, and there will be food, exhibits, and exciting activities for community members of every age.

If you would like more information about attending this event, the North Hollywood Area Community Relations Office can be reached at (818) 623-4001.

Nixle

Nixle is a valuable tool in updating the public as to police activity in their neighborhoods, as well as a tool to combat crime. Nixle utilizes text messaging as the primary method in communicating with the public, and has already shown itself to be extremely effective in distributing information, in real time, to impacted communities. We strongly encourage anyone living or working in North Hollywood Area to sign up for Nixle. Interested parties can sign up at LAPDonline.org.

Crime Briefing:

Overall for this year to date Part I crimes, which are a combination of all violent and property crimes, were down three percent from last year.



Violent crimes are down 11 percent this year to date. This reduction includes a 28 percent reduction in aggravated assaults.

Property crimes are down two percent, which includes a six percent reduction in burglaries and a seven percent reduction in grand theft auto. However, there was a two percent increase in BTFMVs.

Crime Prevention Tips

Do not leave any valuables in your vehicle in plain sight. This is the most prevalent crime and the easiest to prevent. If the suspects do not see anything, they will move on to the next vehicle. Don't be the easy

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target. Suspects are looking for GPS devices, iPods, cell phones, laptop computers, purses and wallets.

Lock your doors and windows. There have been numerous residential burglaries where the victims reported that they either forgot to lock their doors or left their windows open. This makes your home a soft target and gives that opportunist easy access to your valuables.

If your vehicle is over five years old, please invest in a secondary security system like a steering or ignition locking mechanism, i.e. the "Club." This will make it difficult enough for most car thieves that they will again move on to the easier target.

Basic Car 15A3

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Current Crime Trends

Based on my statistics for this period there was an increase in burglary/theft from motor vehicle, grand theft auto and robberies. There was no change in burglaries and a slight decrease in grand theft.

Community Events

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Valerio/Tujunga
Church of San Pablo
Monday, October 11, 2010, 7:00 pm

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Dehougne Street/Radford Avenue
Pentecostal Church
Wednesday, October 20, 2010, 7:00 pm

Neighborhood Watch Meeting

6929 Ben Avenue
Tuesday, October 12, 2010
7:00 pm

North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council Meeting

Arminta Elementary Street Elementary
11530 Strathern Street
Thursday, October 21, 2010
7:00 pm

Basic Car 15A21

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Current Crime Trends

During the last period, Basic Car 15A21 experienced a slight increase in Aggravated Assault, Burglary Theft from Vehicle, and Robbery occurrences. A very *significant decrease* in Grand Theft Auto and residential burglaries was reported this period; these two crime categories were the top numbers a month ago. Enforcement efforts were concentrated on Ethel Avenue (between Vanowen Street and Sherman Way) to identify possible gang members and robbery suspects.

Community Events

Charlesworth Neighborhood Watch Meeting

6626 Charlesworth Avenue
Saturday, October 23, 2010, 3:00 p.m.

North Hollywood West Neighborhood Council Meeting

Saticoy Elementary School Library
7850 Ethel Avenue
Wednesday, October 27, 2010, 6:30 p.m.

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Community Events

Valley Village Neighborhood Watch

Victory Elementary
6315 Radford Street
Tuesday, October 19, 2010
7:00 pm

Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council

Valley College
5800 Fulton Avenue
Monday, October 4, 2010
7:00 pm

Current Crime Trends

Based on the current crime statistics, my area had a slight increase in residential burglaries. The area had one street robbery in the area of Lankershim and Victory Boulevard. Also, there was a slight increase in the amount of burglary/theft from motor vehicles. The areas affected were Troost Avenue and Kittridge Street. Please remember to lock and secure your car doors and windows when parking your car.

Cleon Neighborhood Watch Meeting

6733 Cleon Avenue
Tuesday, October 12, 2010
1:00 p.m.

Basic Car 15A39

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Current Crime Trends

Statistics for the past month show an overall increase in the total number of crimes in my area. Burglary/theft from motor vehicles was about the same. Residential/commercial burglaries and robberies had an increase over the last month. On September 20, North Hollywood Burglary Detectives made a significant arrest of a burglar near Colfax and Califa. It appears the suspect is responsible for several burglaries that occurred in the area.

Community Events

Mid Town North Hollywood Council Meeting

East Valley High School
5525 Vineland Avenue
Wednesday, October 13, 2010, 7:00 pm

Basic Car 15A33

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Current Crime Trends

Detectives at North Hollywood Division arrested the suspect wanted for battery on elderly women. Thank you for all your phone calls and tips.

Part I crime in Basic Car 15A33 increased slightly. There was an increase in street robberies and grand theft auto. Burglary and other thefts decreased slightly.

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Current Crime Trends

Based on the current crime trends, auto thefts are the most frequent crimes within our Basic Car area. The majority of the vehicles taken are Hondas. Please park your vehicles in well lit areas. And most importantly, lock them.

Community Events

Neighborhood Watch/ Valley Village Homeowners Association

Colfax Elementary School
11724 Addison Street, Valley Village
Wednesday, October 20, 2010, 6:30 pm

Basic Car 15A67

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Current Crime Trends

Based on the statistics for this period, overall crime numbers were about the same as last month. We continued to see a good reduction in the number of burglary/theft from motor vehicles compared to the last couple of months however, robbery increased and thefts had also gone up, specifically bicycle thefts. Lock your bikes! Residential burglary and auto thefts remained about the same as last month. There is still a regular occurrence of burglary/theft from vehicles in the NoHo Arts area however, car break-ins continued to be down this month. The areas adjacent to Lankershim Boulevard seem to currently be the most impacted area for car break-ins.

Community Events

Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council Meeting

Toluca Elementary
4840 Cahuenga Boulevard
Tuesday, October 19, 2010
7:00 pm

Basic Car 15A85

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Current Crime Trends

As many of you know there have been reported sightings, in the Fryman Canyon hills, of a homicide suspect we are looking for. The murder occurred on July 24, 2010, at approximately 7:00 p.m., when the Los Angeles City Fire Department personnel responded to a residential fire in the 11500 Block of Riverside Drive. The Fire Department extinguished a blaze and discovered the body of a woman inside the residence.

The investigation revealed that the victim's boyfriend, who also lived at the residence, returned from the store and confronted a man inside of the residence. He chased the man several blocks but was not able to catch him. Upon returning home, the boyfriend observed that his house was engulfed in flames and his fiancée was murdered.

The suspect has been identified as Omar Armando Loera, 34-year-old, male Hispanic with black hair and brown eyes. Loera stands about 5 feet 9 inches tall and weighs 170 pounds. He has Aztec women tattoos on both shoulders. He is a parolee at large. If you should see him please call 911.